

REMARKS

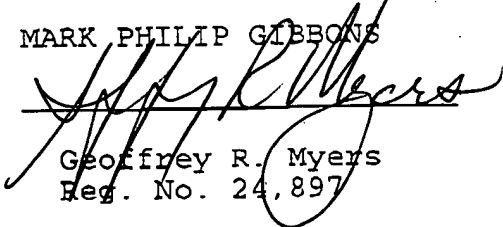
Independent: claims 1 and 9 have been amended to include the limitation of customizing proxies when they are generated to fit a particular purpose. Such a limitation is not shown in Thomas. In Thomas, the client asks the broker where to locate a particular Internet Service. The broker sends the client metadata to allow the client to determine the location and name of the proxy. The client downloads the proxy and uses it to communicate with the Service. Applicant generates the proxy optimized for the particular purpose for which it will be used, such as to provide a more efficient way of establishing communications between Java and .Net objects. Thomas employs a pregenerated proxy for interacting with an Internet Service. The client does not generate the proxy and so the proxy is not tailored for the client's particular needs. In fact, one of the advantages stated by Thomas is that the client is relieved from having to develop a remote communication code (column 2, lines 65-67). Consequently, Thomas teaches away from currently amended independent claims 1 and 9.

Favourable reconsideration is respectfully solicited.

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